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### Model Respiratory Program Guide Completed

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As reported at the May 2003 Long Range Planning Committee, the California Police Chiefs Association (CPCA) and CalOSHA began negotiating the requirements for the use of respiratory equipment by law enforcement. CPCA requested assistance from POST in these negotiations. After several meetings with subject matter experts, CalOSHA, CPCA, the State Sheriffs Association and POST, a model respiratory program for first responding law enforcement personnel was agreed upon.

The *Model Respiratory Protection Program for Law Enforcement* is now available on the POST website. The program will assist agencies in meeting CalOSHA Regulation 5144 as it pertains to the use, training and fit testing of respiratory equipment in the field.

POST will create a training video for law enforcement that will assist in compliance with the required training standard. The completed video and a program information bulletin will be distributed to all law enforcement agencies in late 2004.

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## Field Training Changes in Motion

▶ On June 10, 2003, POST released Bulletin 2003-14 noticing agencies of the upcoming changes to Regulations and Procedures related to field training programs and courses. Although the new requirements become effective July 1, 2004, this has not deterred four POST agencies from getting an early start. The Plumas County Sheriff's Department, the Tustin Police Department, the West Sacramento Police Department, and the University of California at Berkeley already have POST approval for their field training program packages that incorporate the new requirements/regulations into their program manuals, General Orders, and program operations.

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POST Bulletin 2003-14  
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*POST Field Training Program Guide*  
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## 2004 Academies Will Teach Racial Profiling

▶ POST is working with subject matter experts to incorporate racial profiling training into the Regular Basic Course effective January 1, 2004, as approved by the Commission at its April 2003 meeting. Last year, POST developed the racial profiling curriculum for in-service training in response to a legislative mandate.

Attention has been given to ensuring that course topics, delivery methods, and terminology remain consistent with the legislatively-mandated, racial profiling curriculum. Additionally, basic course presenters have begun to identify instructors who must attend the 24-hour, train-the-trainer course for Racial Profiling presented by the Museum of Tolerance. Upon successful completion of the course, each instructor will receive facilitation materials to ensure standardized curriculum delivery.

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## New Leadership Curriculum Tested

▶ The revised Regular Basic Course curriculum that integrates leadership, ethics, and community policing throughout most learning domains is being tested. The curriculum includes evaluation instruments for assessing project learning goals and integrating objectives. A supplemental guide with more than 100 instructional activities is designed to enhance critical thinking, leadership, ethical decision-making, and problem-solving abilities. Additionally, this curriculum is intended to increase support for community policing practices.

Four Basic Course presenters — Los Angeles Police Department, Napa Valley College Criminal Justice Training Center, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Regional Public Safety Training Center, and San Diego Regional Public Safety Training Institute — have begun to test the new curriculum in academy classes scheduled for July and September start dates.

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## New Writing Test Developed

POST has begun pilot-testing a new writing component for the Entry-Level Law Enforcement Test Battery. The first three writing test segments will be replaced with segments containing the format for sentence completion, paragraph completion, and word choice. POST expects that the new format will be superior to that presently used and that the new test will more reliably predict both academy and job performance.

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) played an instrumental role in the development of the original test battery and is once again providing significant assistance to POST by pilot-testing the items. The new items should be fully tested by January 2004.

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## POST Reimbursement Restored

When it looked like the Reimbursement Program was going to be eliminated (except for the Museum of Tolerance portion) in FY 2003-04, POST made efforts to pay all FY 2002-03 training reimbursement requests out of available resources. This meant the reimbursement program was suspended for the last quarter of FY 02-03 so all claims in the system could be paid with remaining funds. Debbie Elayan and Rosemary Martin of the Reimbursement Unit, joined temporarily by Joy Fisher from the Center for Leadership Development, worked nights and weekends to process the claims and authorize reimbursement.

In the May revision of the FY 03-04 Governor's Budget, \$25.5 million was restored to the Reimbursement Program. It appeared that POST would be back in the reimbursement business, but until the Governor signed the budget, nothing was certain. As we

### POST Reimbursement... *continued*

know, the Governor has signed the budget, which means that POST can continue training reimbursements for all of its programs. Although no claims from the prior fiscal year during the time that reimbursements were suspended can be paid, training reimbursement is being honored for courses that began on or after July 1, 2003.

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## **EDI Services Expanding**

In February 2000, POST went online with the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) system. EDI provides a secure and encrypted method for transmitting data between POST agencies and POST via the Internet. EDI was built by POST's Computer Services Bureau staff, along with advice and input from several POST bureaus and client agencies.

During the pilot phase, ten agencies electronically completed Notice of Appointment and Termination transactions that immediately updated the POST database. Since that time, EDI has rapidly increased its functions and capabilities, and more than 400,000 transactions have been recorded. Today, 553 of the 624 POST Program agencies use the EDI system to:

- Process all appointments, promotions, and terminations of law enforcement officers, reserves, dispatchers, and records supervisors.
- Nominate sergeants to attend the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute.
- Obtain compliance reports to ensure that agency personnel have met minimum training requirements.

Through the EDI system's most recent development, 217 course presenters can view and print reports of their certified courses, including details such as course descriptions, dates, locations, tuition costs, and status of course rosters.

POST is designing the next major component of EDI — Course Certification. Automation of the course certification process is targeted for completion by the end of the summer of 2004. POST staff from the Training Delivery and Computer Services bureaus are working together to review the course certification request process. Changes to the database will track course certification requests as they move through the review process. Staff is analyzing additional steps that will streamline the course certification process, and all changes being considered are consistent with, and complementary to, the proposed EDI-based course certification process.

When the new EDI features are completed, course presenters will electronically submit to POST:

- New course proposals or existing course recertifications.
- All required course material, including course outlines, hourly distributions, instructor resumes, safety guidelines, and course budgets.
- Course announcements and changes to existing courses.

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**Dispatcher  
Training  
Packages  
Distributed**

POST has provided more than 550 public safety dispatcher agencies and trainers with 18 course curricula packages developed by the students and staff of the Public Safety Dispatcher Instructor Development Program. Provided on CD-ROM, each course directory contains detailed course curricula files, instructional resources, presentation graphics, and learning activity materials for the delivery of training sessions to in-service communications personnel.

This short-term project is designed to generate Total Training Packages for the communications training needs identified during the POST annual Training Needs Assessment process. The program is also designed to create a cadre of instructors who can deliver the training.

To develop the curricula packages, 18 teams were assembled, with each team assigned to work on a specific training need. Throughout the curriculum development process, a POST Master Instructor Development Program (MIDP) graduate supervised each team and served as a mentor for each student.

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## Top 20 POST Web Pages

Since going live in July 1996, the POST website has expanded steadily and continues to be popular with its many valuable features. A new format implemented in July 2002 allows users to quickly find items of interest and allows POST to update the home page with new or featured items.

Of the more than 4,500 POST web pages, the 20 most frequently accessed web pages, along with the average number of “hits” per month, are listed below:

POST Web Page		Average Hits per Month
1	POST Home Page	18,660
2	Site Map	7,025
3	Training, Certificates, and Services	5,285
4	Course Catalog	3,920
5	Job Opportunities	3,420
6	Basic Academies	3,185
7	Bulletins, Publications, and Forms	2,450
8	About POST	2,120
9	Library, Clearinghouse, and Resources	1,970
10	Participating Agencies	1,650
11	POST Forms	1,390
12	Basic Course Workbooks (The POST Store)	1,270
13	Professional Certificates	1,150
14	Practice Tests	1,145
15	Basic Training Bureau	1,085
16	Join Our Team	1,070
17	California Law Enforcement Employment Data	945
18	Medical Screening Manual	940
19	Peace Officer Selection	920
20	POST Publications	905
Total Hits per Month		60,505

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## Web Library Gains Recognition

▶ The POST Library has attained the distinction of becoming one of only 14 libraries in the United States to be linked to the World Criminal Justice Library Network. This recognition as a valuable criminal justice information resource puts the POST Library on par with other prominent criminal justice entities such as the Library of Congress, Rutgers University, and the John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Soon after the Library's debut on the Internet, the National Criminal Justice Reference Service presented POST with a positive review and added a link from its website to POST's online card catalog. Additionally, POST created an online index to the *Ethics Roll Call* publication. Subsequently, the publisher, the Center for Law Enforcement Ethics, contacted POST Library staff to express their appreciation.

### For more information

<http://www.post.ca.gov/library>

## First Lineup Training: Officer Safety

▶ POST has conducted the first in a series of four pilot tests of the new Line-Up Training Program in DVD format. The Fresno Police Department, the Oakland Police Department, the Riverside Police Department, and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department participated in the pilot test of "Officer Safety." Future programs will address enforcement of the law, seizure of evidence, tactical response, the use of force, and ethical decision-making.

The program relies upon first-line supervisors who serve as instructors in lineup training settings. Job-related scenarios engage the students in practical, problem-solving exercises, and the group controls the pace and intensity of the learning experience. POST used existing telecourse video resources to deliver the high-quality, interactive video programs in small group settings.

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## WMD/HazMat Training Expanded

▶ As part of the overall homeland security training effort, POST staff has been working with representatives of the California Specialized Training Institute (CSTI) to restructure the existing two-day POST Force Protection Operations (FPO) Course to dovetail with statutorily prescribed Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations Level training. The redesigned 16-hour course, to be called *Hazardous Materials, First Responder Operations (FRO): Law Enforcement Field Support*, will ensure that all FRO competencies articulated in existing OSHA regulations are addressed.

The program is targeted at law enforcement personnel who will be utilizing personal protective equipment (PPE) to provide "warm zone" support to other first responders during a mass casualty or weapons of mass destruction (WMD) incident. For those areas lacking the localized instructional resources or a suitable training delivery system, on-site presentations of this two-day, direct delivery version can be made available.

### WMD/HazMat... *continued*

In addition, a consolidated 32-hour instructor level program is scheduled for pilot testing with presentations scheduled for 2004.

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## **Emergency Response Bill Signed**

Senate Bill 1350 (McPherson) requires POST to establish training standards for, and develop a training course on, the responsibilities of first responders to terrorism incidents. A train-the-trainer course that meets and exceeds many of the SB 1350 requirements has been completed and is described in the next article. The course addresses the training needs of peace officers at a managerial or supervisory level and below who are assigned to field duties.

The bill also created the Emergency Response Training Advisory Committee (ERTAC). Executive Director Ken O'Brien is a statutory member of ERTAC, which met for the first time in August 2003 to develop terrorism awareness. In addition, Bureau Chief Ken Whitman has been assigned to work halftime with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, and the California State Military Department (CSMD) to provide support for the planning and training efforts. Much of what is tasked to the CSMD for the law enforcement community has already been accomplished, based on a statewide-needs assessment completed by Senior Consultant Lou Madeira shortly after the terrorist attacks. Work has also begun on other training mandates required by SB 1350.

A committee representing POST, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the Emergency Medical Services Authority, and the Joint Firefighter Apprenticeship Program is identifying and submitting for certification all existing training that meets the Office of Defenses Preparedness (ODP) criteria. The goal is to obtain ODP recognition of each course and, therefore, become eligible for federal funds. POST will also request federal funds to support the ongoing development and implementation of the more than 54 training courses that POST has coordinated since September 2001.

As of November 2003, the state has received approximately \$240 million from the federal government to fund resources for planning, training, equipment, and exercises. This includes approximately \$119 million that is shared on an 80/20 percent basis between local governments and the state. The funds are being distributed to each of the 58 county operational areas.

For Fiscal Year 2004, an additional \$176 million in counter-terrorism training grants will provide \$133 million for state and localities, \$39 million for the Law Enforcement



Terrorism Prevention Program, and \$2.7 million for the Citizen Corps. The funds should become available after ODP approves the state's plan.

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## **Terrorism Response and Interdiction Course Created**

▶ In February 2004, POST will pilot-test a new 24-hour instructor course related to terrorism response and interdiction. Developed as a Master Instructor Development Program project by Sergeant Wayne Windman of the Redondo Beach Police Department, the course is intended to qualify individuals to teach an eight-hour, in-house course. The instructor's course will address the following knowledge and skill areas mandated by SB1350 (McPherson):

- Defining terrorism, including current individuals, organizations, and their capabilities
- An overview of conventional, chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threats
- Concepts of threat and hazard recognition, with an emphasis on the ability to determine local vulnerabilities and basic intelligence gathering
- An understanding of the structure and function of the incident command system
- Initial response actions, including preliminary assessment, notifications, resource needs, and safety considerations
- Coordination with other emergency service first responders
- Gathering, verifying, assessing, and communicating incident information
- Understanding mass casualty implications and decontamination requirements
- Balancing lifesaving activities with evidence preservation
- General awareness and additional training for each of the first responder categories specific to each discipline.

There will be no fees for the pilot sessions and reimbursement will be available. Additional presentations are planned for 2004.

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## **MIDP Graduates Develop New Courses**

▶ Students of the Master Instructor Development Program (MIDP) develop POST-certified courses and present their courses as a condition of graduation. MIDP Class 14, the largest class (18 students) in the 11-year history of the program, developed the following courses:

- An Investigator's Response to Terrorism
- Preparing the Public Safety Dispatcher for a Terrorist/WMD Event
- Crime (and Terrorism) Prevention Through Environmental Design
- Connectivity in the Basic Academy
- Integrated Use of Force in Realistic Training.

The students of MIDP Class 15 completed their Project Validation Workshop in July. The candidates received verbal and written feedback on their presentations so that any needed revisions could be made prior to presenting the full courses.

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## **Instructor Symposium Surpasses Prior Events**

▶ The Public Safety Instructor Symposium, "Symposium 2003," presented in Newark, was underwritten by a grant from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office. POST, the Board of Corrections/Standards and Training, and the State Fire Marshal's Office provided fiscal support for respective attendees' travel, lodging, and per diem expenses.

The Symposium featured an opening plenary session by virtuoso trainer Jim Vidakovich; two mini-plenary sessions were presented by Mr. Vidakovich and three POST master instructors. The 11 workshops covered a wide variety of topics related to adult learning such as facilitation, motivation, technology, lesson planning, needs assessment, generational differences, and troubleshooting. Workshop facilitators were predominantly from the POST Master Instructor cadre.

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## **PBL Method Studied**

▶ The first police Problem Based Learning (PBL) Train-the-Trainers Instructors' Course was held on the Sacramento campus of the University of New Haven (UNH). This 80-hour instructor development opportunity was supported by a research grant awarded to UNH from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). As part of the POST Strategic Plan, staff has

begun to research and integrate PBL as a potential delivery method for law enforcement training.

Gerry Cleveland and Greg Saville, recognized internationally for their work as educators and police trainers, developed the course. The three primary course objectives are mastery of the PBL instructional delivery method, teaching competence in delivering the new Police Training Officer program to post-academy graduates, and implementation of PBL into the police training environment — including the basic course, and field, in-service, supervisory, and management training.

Thirteen public safety trainers from California, along with instructors from Canada, Colorado, Georgia, and North Carolina, and two members of POST staff successfully completed the challenging and demanding course. Students rated the course as outstanding in both content and presentation. Follow-up meetings will be held with the instructors to develop curricula that will utilize the Problem Based Learning approach to teaching.

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**POST Tests  
Assist Law  
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POST plays a major role in developing tests and related assessment services for the selection and training of California peace officers and dispatchers. Three categories of testing services are available from POST.

- **Entry-level selection** products include the *POST Entry-Level Law Enforcement Test Battery* and the *POST Entry-Level Dispatcher Selection Test Battery*. A pre-academy physical ability test is currently being developed.
- **Testing of cadets in training** involves the development, support, and delivery of a variety of required basic training tests for physical performance, writing skills, and more than 30 cognitive knowledge tests. A scenario testing manual contains 13 hands-on, role-playing job simulations. POST is also developing comprehensive basic course midterm and end-of-course cognitive proficiency tests and performance (skills) tests in the areas of weaponless defense, firearms, and emergency driving.
- **Selection Guidelines** specify assessment procedures that are contained in the *POST Medical Screening Manual*, the *POST Psychological Screening Manual*, and the *POST Background Investigation Manual*. The POST oral interview guidelines manual and a background investigation manual for dispatchers are also being developed.

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### POST Tests... *continued*

Paramount in POST's testing activities and responsibilities is the need to ensure that all tests are job-related and defensible. Personnel Selection Consultants and Test Validation Specialists conduct the validation studies needed to develop and maintain the testing programs. Each staff member is well versed in testing, measurement, and the legal requirements for defending employment tests.

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### Modular Format Deemed Successful

Although a recent Basic Course Modular Format Coordinator Workshop was nonreimbursable and only CPT credit was awarded, the workshop drew 28 new coordinators. This workshop, the first held in more than two years due to budget and personnel limitations, was well received. Designed for new modular format coordinators, the workshop covered:

- Modular format history
- Minimum regulations and procedures
- Use of student workbooks
- Testing
- Various presentation issues

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### POST Telecourses Win National Telly Awards

Four POST telecourse videos entered in the 24th Annual Telly Awards Competition have won awards. The *Cold Case Homicide* telecourse earned a *Silver Telly Award*, while the *Kids in Peril: Missing Children Cases 2002*, *Dispatcher 2002: Becoming Culturally Competent*, and *Special Response Tactics 2002* all won the *Bronze Telly Award*. These telecourses are part of the California POST Television Network (CPTN), the video program that delivers high quality, in-service training VHS and DVD to California law enforcement agencies in the POST program and its subscribers.

The *Telly Awards* were founded in 1980 to showcase and give recognition to outstanding film, video, and non-network television programming. The *Telly* has become one of the most sought after awards in the commercial video industry and symbolizes a significant creative achievement for winners. Judging panels consist of a group of more than 20 highly qualified production professionals.

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## IN MEMORY OF

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### Charlie Byrd

Charlie Byrd, POST Advisory Committee representative of the California State Sheriffs' Association, passed away in late September of natural causes. Charlie served as Siskiyou County Sheriff from 1987 until this year. He was elected to the position for four consecutive, four-year terms and will be remembered for bringing updated technology, equipment, and training to the department.

Charlie began his law enforcement career in 1967 as a reserve officer with the Weed Police Department. He was appointed as a full-time police officer in 1968, was promoted to Sergeant in 1970, and served as the department's chief of police from 1975 to January 1987. In addition to his law enforcement achievements and his activity in civic groups, Charlie Byrd also achieved some firsts. He entered law enforcement at a time when African Americans were beginning to break the color barrier in law enforcement and later became the first African American to be elected Sheriff in the State of California.

Charlie began his service on the POST Advisory Committee in September 1993 and served one year as its chairman. He was well liked by everyone and consistently supported efforts to advance and professionalize California law enforcement. Charlie's presence will be missed by POST staff and the POST Advisory Committee.



### Derald Hunt

Derald Hunt, formerly a POST Advisory Committee member, passed away on October 12 in Orange County. He had recently been suffering from poor health and had undergone surgery.

Mr. Hunt was a founding member of the California Association of Administration of Justice Education (CAAJE) and served as its Business Manager for many years. Derald also served on the POST Advisory Committee for several years and as its chair for one year.



### Retiree Gene Rhodes

Retired POST Senior Law Enforcement Consultant Gene Rhodes passed away on September 19, 2003, of a heart attack. Gene retired from POST in December 1997 but worked with POST as a part-time consultant until early 2003. Prior to joining POST, Gene worked for the California Highway Patrol where he achieved the rank of sergeant before becoming an instructor in the CHP Academy.

Having worked at POST since July 1973, Gene was well known throughout the law enforcement and training communities as innovative, productive, and conscientious. For most of his POST career, Gene served as an Area Consultant for the Training Delivery Services Bureau. Throughout his career, Gene was a premier researcher and developer of training programs, and his ability to work with subject matter experts was legendary. Some of the special programs Gene was responsible for developing included canine training and updates of the *Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted Study*, *POST Background Investigation Manual*, *Basic Course Workbook Series*, and PC 832 curriculum.

POST Executive Director Ken O'Brien describes Gene this way, "I can think of no other POST Consultant who made greater contributions to California law enforcement training than Gene Rhodes." His friends and colleagues remember him as caring, easy going, constructive, and unpretentious. He brought a deep sense of commitment and dignity to his work and relationships. Gene will be greatly missed by the POST family.

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## POST Directory and Reference Guide on Website

▶ POST encourages its clients and staff to take advantage of the online *POST Directory and Reference Guide*. This web-based directory will help users quickly identify and locate POST programs and services, as well as contact information. Users can browse by topic or use the comprehensive index to link to the most current references and related websites. This resource helps reduce phone traffic and allow users to find answers to their questions, with less need for direct phone queries. This is a site that should become a “favorite.”

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[www.post.ca.gov/about/drg/drg\\_intro-final.asp](http://www.post.ca.gov/about/drg/drg_intro-final.asp) OR  
[www.post.ca.gov](http://www.post.ca.gov) • go to About California POST • go to Contacting POST

## ICI Course Revisions Identified

▶ The 80-hour Homicide Course curriculum presented by the Robert Presley Institute of Criminal Investigation (ICI) was recently reviewed to ensure its content is both relevant and contemporary. Although periodic changes have been made, the curriculum has not been formally reviewed since its inception in 1994.

To accomplish the curriculum review, focus groups comprised of homicide detectives and supervisors from Sacramento, Los Angeles, and San Jose convened in the three locales, which are also the sites for course presentations. The focus groups' findings were, in turn, reviewed by the course presenters and subject matter experts. The consensus was to:

- Revise the curricula on gang murders and homicide search warrants
- Add instruction on crime scene reconstruction, elderly deaths, interview and interrogation issues, and officer-involved incidents.

Work on the additional instruction in crime scene reconstruction has been completed. Course presenters and subject matter experts have developed six scenarios that are adapted from scenarios used by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department in its ICI Homicide Course. The content also reflects the input of the focus groups who reviewed the existing course. The scenarios will also be the basis for a student project that extends through the 80-hour course.

They provide exposure to investigation planning and crime scene management skills for individual cases. This enables re-creation of the detectives' work environment, thereby enriching the learning experience. The scenarios include homicides in residences, vehicles, and the workplace, as well as “body dumps.” The scenarios also address domestic violence, gang violence, suicide, and narcotic activity.

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## Legislation of Interest

Information about legislative bills, including POST's position, that may affect POST and the California law enforcement community is summarized below. More extensive information about Assembly and Senate bills of interest to the Commission on POST, and bills with a POST position, may be accessed at [www.post.ca.gov/about](http://www.post.ca.gov/about) with three links provided.

- **AB 20 (Leslie) Victims of Crime:** Modifies several existing laws that address victims who are elder or dependent persons, developmentally disabled, or have cognitive mental impairment related to hearsay, testimony, abuse, sexual abuse, use of support persons during judicial proceedings, instructions to juries, mandated reporting, and peace officer training.  
*Position:* Neutral  
*Status:* Senate Public Safety Committee
- **AB 1113 (Garcia) Supplemental Firefighting Services Fund:** Establishes in each county treasury a Supplemental Firefighting Services Fund (SFSF) to be allocated to front line fire services activities; requires an additional \$5 penalty be levied for every \$10 collected on every fine, penalty, or forfeiture imposed by the court for criminal offenses; and annually requires transfer of funds to the SFSF, California Firefight Arson Training Fund, and the State Fire Marshal.  
*Position:* Oppose  
*Status:* Assembly Local Government Committee
- **AB 1198 (Dutton) Peace Officer Records:** Extends existing confidentiality protection of peace officer and custodial officer personnel records to the Commission and protects personnel records of former peace officers when they are no longer employed by a law enforcement agency both for the agencies and POST.  
*Position:* Support (Commission sponsored)  
*Status:* In Senate
- **AB 1383 (Wesson) Peace Officer Training and Counseling:** Requires the Commission, upon request, to assist law enforcement agencies in meeting the requirement for refresher training by providing training materials regarding racial and cultural trends; require every person who becomes a peace officer on or after January 1, 2004, to consult with an independent licensed mental health provider on a onetime basis, every four years, at agency expense; and require POST to develop training on anger management, frustration tolerance, and information regarding past damage awards for peace officer abuse cases either through a telecourse or incorporation into existing training.  
*Position:* Neutral  
*Status:* Senate Inactive File
- **SB 188 (Cedillo) Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training – Reduction of Member of Commission:** Eliminates one position membership to the Commission from the position of sheriffs or chiefs of police or peace officer nominated by their respective sheriffs or chiefs of police. This would reduce the total membership of appointed commissioners from 14 to 13.  
*Position:* Neutral  
*Status:* Senate Public Safety Committee
- **SB 780 (Torlakson) Vehicle Violations-Automated Enforcement Systems:** Modifies the method of enforcement involving “automated enforcement systems” that photographically record Vehicle Code violations at traffic control signals and rail crossings, removes violations photographed by an automated enforcement system from those addressed through criminal adjudication and instead handles them as civil violations, and establishes an administrative appeal process.  
*Position:* Oppose unless amended  
*Status:* Senate Appropriations Committee

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